Creativity is subjective. **The truth isn't.**

Truth in Advertising Matters.

ASC Advertising Standards Canada
adstandards.com/psa

Vancouver metro

Your essential daily news | WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2016 | High 9°C/Low 6°C Cloudy

POSTMEDIA
Westwood on media exec salaries
metroVIEWS

FERRY TALES

Clipper plans to launch service from Victoria to Vancouver

metroNEWS

COURTESY CLIPPER

'Stand with us'

TRANS MOUNTAIN PIPELINE

Rally outside hearing calls on Trudeau to step up

First Nations and environmentalists had one question for Prime Minister Justin Trudeau at the start of National Energy Board hearings on the controversial Trans Mountain pipeline expansion.

"You said no. Where are you?" asked Audrey Siegl of the Musqueam Indian Band, to a cheer from a crowd of protesters gathered outside a Burnaby hotel on Tuesday.

"Stand with us if you're going to stand with us. We need more than just words."

Trudeau promised on the campaign trail in June to engage in a "new open process" for all pipelines. He said in August that would apply to existing pipelines and that the Trans Mountain process "needs to be redone."

Natural Resources Minister Jim Carr has said the government will soon announce changes to the pipeline approval process. But he said the plan will include a transition period for projects currently under review, and no proponent will be asked to return to square one.

As hearings began on Kinder Morgan's $5.4-billion US proposal to triple the capacity of the Alberta-to-B.C. pipeline, activists urged Trudeau to immediately halt the review and implement the changes.

"After 10 years of the long, dark night of the Harper regime, for the first time there was reason to hope for change," said Grand Chief Stewart Phillip of the Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs.

"We call on Prime Minister Justin Trudeau to follow through on those promises."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

If you like FareSavers, you'll love Compass Card.

FareSaver sales end in January. Get the same great rate with reloadable Stored Value on your Compass Card. You'll never have to worry about tickets again. **Great savings, better benefits.**

Ask for Compass wherever transit fare products are sold.
Learn more at translink.ca/faresavers or call 604.398.2042.

Load. Tap. Ride.

TRANSLINK

metro NEWS
Your essential daily news

Astronaut Scott Kelly plants a thriving zinnia in the space station.

Plebiscite silence bad idea: Ex-CEO

TRANSIT

Allen says TransLink should have parried critics

Matt Kieltyka
Metro | Vancouver

The man thrust into the charge of TransLink during a key six-month spell last year believes the authority should have been more vocal during the region's transit plebiscite.

Following the firing of Ian Jarvis, Doug Allen was hired as interim CEO to steer TransLink through Metro Vancouver's failed plebiscite on transit funding and address pressing concerns within the organization.

In his August 2015 confidential "state of the enterprise" report — now available after a Vancouver Sun Freedom of Information request — Allen writes that the authority should have defended itself publicly against critics during the vote.

Doug Allen argues that TransLink should have done more to defend itself. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO FILE

"In the past, TransLink's external communications approach was to 'remain quiet' and out of the public eye," as instructed by the Mayors' Council leading the campaign for the "YES" side in the transit plebiscite, Allen writes.

"Given the poor public perception of TransLink, my assessment was that remaining silent was the worst possible approach, especially during the plebiscite."

In the end, voters shot down a proposed regional 0.5 per cent sales tax (meant to pay for a massive transit improvement plan), 62 per cent to 38 per cent.

> **Remaining silent was the worst possible approach.**
> Doug Allen

Allen's outgoing report praises TransLink for its financial management, solid service levels and dedication of employees.

However, he criticized the transit authority's priorities.

"The most important commodity TransLink has is its ridership," Allen writes.

"There is little focus on this important indicator. What is the purpose of having a plan to move people from cars to public transit if TransLink can't demonstrate increased ridership? Ridership in recent years is down — not a good outcome for a transit company."

TransLink board chairman Don Rose released a statement Tuesday thanking Allen for "the time and effort that went into conducting this review."

"This information will be one of many resources available to the new CEO of TransLink, who under the direction of the Board, will lead the organization going forward."

TransLink's search for a new CEO is still underway.

In the meantime, Cathy McLay, chief financial officer and executive vice-president of finance and corporate services, is acting CEO.

'QUICK WINS' SCANDAL

Disclose how much spent on Liberals' legal fees, critics urge

The British Columbia government must disclose how much public money has been spent covering the legal fees of Liberal insiders embroiled in the "quick wins" scandal, says an NDP MLA.

The opposition party filed a Freedom of Information request with the Ministry of Justice asking for all indemnities granted by government to the Liberal politicians and staff embroiled in the Multicultural Strategic Outreach Program scandal. The so-called "quick wins" scandal sparked outrage before the last provincial election when an insider document was leaked outlining ways the Liberals could win back ethnic votes.

Allegations that government employees were involved in partisan political work on the taxpayer dime led to Premier Christy Clark ordering an internal investigation into her own office.

The premier's chief of staff, Kim Haakstad, resigned shortly after the plan was leaked.

The Criminal Justice Branch then appointed a special prosecutor, lawyer David Butcher, as RCMP investigate allegations that could result in criminal charges.

Vancouver-Point Grey MLA David Eby said the Ministry of Finance's year-end financial report for 2015 disclosed that indemnities were issued at least six times to various employees or ex-employees "as it relates to the events surrounding the government's Multicultural Strategic Outreach Program."

But when the NDP requested details through Freedom of Information, it received 202 completely redacted pages.

Eby is calling on government to release the names of those receiving money from government and disclose how much public money is being spent on their legal fees.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

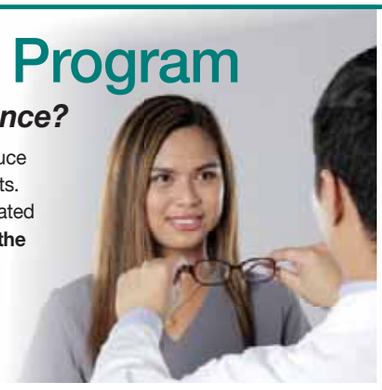
Premier Christy Clark. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

OPTICIAN Diploma Program

Do you have retail/customer service experience?

Opticians are an integral member of the eye-care team who design, produce and fit eyeglasses, contact lenses and specialized products for their clients. Our program provides training in eyeglass, contact lens fitting and automated refraction. **This program prepares students to successfully complete the national licensing exam.**

- Average wage for an optician is $21+/hour with the potential to earn more than $85,000/year.
- 55 week program includes practicum



STENBERG COLLEGE 604-580-2772 • www.stenbergcollege.com

You are invited to an
INFORMATION SESSION
Wednesday, January 27th
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Stenberg College
Suite 750-13450 102nd Ave, Surrey
(Central City Tower)

All attendees will receive $250 bursary
Please RSVP to
rsvp@stenbergcollege.com or by tel: 604-634-0384

CAR SHARING

Car2go dropping service in Richmond

Popular car-sharing service car2go says Richmond is a no-go for its vehicles.

The company announced Tuesday that it is discontinuing service in Richmond and reducing service in North Vancouver starting Feb. 1.

In an email to customers, the company said the decision was based on low demand in those areas.

"In the time car2go has been operating in Richmond, we've seen that vehicles sit idle for over 13 hours a day," the company said.

"This is a stark contrast to the vehicles in the Vancouver Home Area, which move frequently, ensuring that our vehicles are in constant circulation, rather than occupying limited parking spaces."

In North Vancouver, the service will be reduced by a half square-kilometre in the far west portion of the city's home area.

car2go vehicles sit in a Vancouver parkade. KAYLA ISOMURA/METRO FILE

"This will allow us to concentrate the vehicles within the Vancouver Home Area for a more robust car2go network, allowing members to find a vehicle more easily when they need to get from Point A to Point B," the company said.

Customers will still be able to use car2go as usual in the affected areas until Jan. 31.

Car2Go expanded its home area to include Richmond in December 2014. THANDI FLETCHER/METRO

Right now, a little gets you a lot.

The Unlimited Everything Plan only until Jan 31st

- Unlimited Data
- Unlimited calls to Canada and the USA
- Unlimited Global Text
- Low international calling rates starting at 1¢/min
- Reduced roaming rates in over 50 countries
- Voicemail+
- Call Control features (Caller ID, Conference Calling, Call Forward, and Call Waiting)

SAMSUNG GALAXY GRAND Prime $0 on WINDtab™

nexus 5X $0 on WINDtab™

$39/mo

Offer ends Jan 31st

WIND

Learn more at WINDmobile.ca. Offer is valid as of December 11, 2015 and is subject to change or cancellation without notice. All unlimited plan features in Canada are from anywhere on our network, otherwise long distance and roaming rates apply. Eligible devices may be activated for $0 phones with WINDtab. WINDtab terms and conditions apply. All services subject to WIND's Terms of Service, Fair Usage Policy and Internet Traffic Management Policy and are for personal use by an individual. Applicable taxes extra. Additional terms and conditions apply. Google, Nexus and Android are trademarks of Google Inc. Samsung and Samsung Galaxy Grand Prime are trademarks of Samsung Electronics Canada, Inc. and/or its related entities used with permission. Screen images simulated. WIND, WIND MOBILE and TRUE MOBILE FREEDOM are trademarks of Wind Telecomunicazioni S.p.A and are used under licence in Canada by WIND Mobile Corp. © 2015 WIND Mobile

Seattle-based Clipper has been operating ferry services between Seattle and Victoria for 30 years. COURTESY CLIPPER

New ferry launching

TRANSPORTATION

Clipper planning to expand trips to downtown

Thandi Fletcher
Metro | Vancouver

A high-speed passenger ferry may soon set sail between downtown Vancouver and downtown Victoria as another company has announced plans to launch a new service.

Seattle-based Clipper, which has operated a ferry between Seattle and Victoria for the past 30 years, announced Tuesday plans to expand its services with a new hub in downtown Vancouver.

The move comes a day after Clipper founder and CEO Merideth Tall announced she had sold a majority interest in the company to Germany-based FRS, a global ferry and shipping group that operates 60 vessels in 12 countries.

The new partnership also plans on launching a new ferry service between Florida and Cuba.

"This is an exciting day for Clipper, as we are thrilled to join forces with another industry leader," Tall said in a news release.

"FRS is a company that shares our values and our vision for travel and tourism in North America, and has long-term experience in markets around the world. Combining with FRS will allow us to expand our travel products and services to provide many more options for our customers that will now include Vancouver and Cuba."

The company said details about the new service in Vancouver will be revealed in the coming weeks and months ahead.

Earlier this month, Australian company Riverside Marine also announced it had signed a lease agreement with the Greater Victoria Harbour Authority for the Steamship Terminal with plans to use the site to facilitate a downtown Victoria to downtown Vancouver ferry service this summer.

IN BRIEF

Wig-wearing suspect arrested after robbery

Police in a Vancouver suburb say they have arrested a suspect after a man robbed a bank last month wearing an odd disguise.

Police say the culprit was wearing a patterned dress, white wool sweater, a long blond curly wig and a pink tuque that partially obscured his face.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

B.C. and nurses union strive to create jobs

The B.C. government and B.C. Nurses Union are working together to create more than 1,600 nursing positions across the province.

Health Minister Terry Lake says the government, union and Health Employers Association of B.C. want to create 1,643 regular nursing positions by March 31.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

YEAR-END PRICING CLEAROUT EVENT

EXTENDED UNTIL **FEBRUARY 1ST**

*WHEN YOU CAN **STILL** GET UP TO*

$750¥ **BONUS CASH**

TOWARDS MOST NEW 2015 AND 2016 MODELS (EXCLUDING FOCUS MODELS)

PLUS

AS LOW AS **0%*** **PURCHASE FINANCING**

ON SELECT NEW MODELS

*IT'S **EASY** TO GET INTO A **FORD***

2016 ESCAPE

GET **0%*** APR PURCHASE FINANCING FOR UP TO **72** MONTHS

ON ALL NEW 2016 ESCAPE MODELS

OR CHOOSE

0%^ APR LEASE FINANCING FOR UP TO **48** MONTHS

ON ALL NEW 2016 ESCAPE MODELS

- AIR CONDITIONING • EASY FUEL CAPLESS FUEL FILLER
- REMOTE KEYLESS ENTRY SYSTEM AND MORE

2015 FOCUS

GET **0%*** APR PURCHASE FINANCING FOR UP TO **84** MONTHS

ON MOST NEW 2015 FOCUS MODELS (EXCLUDING BEV MODELS)

PLUS GET **$750**** MANUFACTURER'S REBATE

- SYNC® VOICE-ACTIVATED COMMUNICATIONS AND ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEM
- ACTIVE GRILL SHUTTERS • POWER DOOR LOCKS AND MORE

F-150 PLATINUM SUPER CREW SHOWN

2015 F-150

GET UP TO **$10,000**** MANUFACTURER'S REBATE ON MOST REMAINING 2015 F-150'S (SUPER CAB AMOUNT SHOWN)

AJAC Automobile Journalists Association of Canada — 2015 F-150 AWARDED CANADIAN TRUCK OF THE YEAR

F-SERIES BEST-SELLING IN CANADA FOR 50 YRS‡

- ADVANCETRAC®† WITH ROLL STABILITY CONTROL
- SECURILOCK® PASSIVE ANTI-THEFT SYSTEM
- REMOVABLE AND LOCKABLE TAILGATE AND MORE

CANADA'S BEST-SELLING AUTOMOTIVE BRAND‡

SEVEN YEARS IN A ROW

2009 TO 2015

VISIT BCFORD.CA OR YOUR BC FORD STORE TO GET THE DEAL YOU WANT **AND** THE VEHICLE YOU WANT TODAY.

Go Further

SiriusXM — Available in most new Ford vehicles with 6-month pre-paid subscription

WHITE BUMPERS. READ THIS LEGAL COPY. Vehicle(s) may be for sale in inventory from dealer stock or may be subject to factory or dealer order or transfer. Dealer may sell or lease for less. Limited time offers may end without notice. Dealer may trade, exchange or purchase vehicle. See dealer for complete details. Prices and offers may change without notice. Dealer may not have vehicle in stock or may have to order or transfer vehicle. Dealer may charge a documentation fee, a commission, a service charge for acquiring vehicles and other charges on behalf of others such as registration, insurance, PPSA, emission testing charge and environmental handling charges (certain charges may be required by law). Dealer may charge an administration charge to cover costs of completing sales documentation. Other conditions may apply. Dealer may charge a fee for financing calculations. Dealer may charge a fee for preparation and delivery. Dealer may charge a fee for insurance products. Dealer may charge a fee for transportation. Dealer may charge a fee for pre-delivery inspection. Dealer may charge a fee for gas and tire charges. Dealer may charge a fee for lien registration. Dealer may charge a fee for NSF cheques. Dealer may charge a fee for duplicate documents

Havoc over email foul

CITIZENSHIP

'Human error' to blame for immigration fee blunder

Immigration officials are red-faced in the wake of an email sent in error to 9,000 people demanding payment of their $490 right-of-landing fees.

The email indeed came from Immigration Refugee Citizenship Canada (IRCC) but the problem is the recipients had either already paid the fee and become permanent residents, or in some cases, their immigration applications were nowhere close to being approved.

The foul-up caused panic for those already settled and disappointment for those still in the queue who thought their cases had finally been concluded. While some speculated the computer system had been hacked and applicants' information compromised, the department assured them this was not the case and their information was safe.

Having been caught up for 15 months in the backlog of the Canada Experience Class applications for permanent immigrant status, James Cassidy of Toronto was thrilled when he got an email from immigration at 11:34 a.m. Monday, asking for his landing fee, thinking his application had been approved.

"Obviously, I was delighted and I paid the fee straight away. However, my joy was short-lived."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

"The question is what we do about the payment now. Are we any closer to getting our permanent resident status?

James Cassidy

Iranian-born Saeed Malekpour, an engineer, emigrated to Canada in 2004 and was awaiting Canadian citizenship as a permanent resident.

He worked as a freelance web developer in Victoria B.C., but returned to Tehran to visit his fatally ill father. In October 2008 he was arrested on charges of working with a foreign government to subvert the clerical regime with Internet pornography.

After months of interrogation and torture, he is now serving a life sentence in Evin prison.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

POLITICAL PRISONERS

Time may be ripe to lift Iran sanctions

When the plane carrying Washington Post reporter Jason Rezaian and two other freed American prisoners touched down in Germany on Saturday, a new page was turned in U.S.-Iran relations.

The prisoners' release, enabled by the diplomatic bond between U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and Iranian Foreign Minister Javad Zarif, also gives new hope to two Canadian permanent residents behind bars in Iran.

Saeed Malekpour, serving a life sentence, and Mostafa Azizi, an eight year term, are also political prisoners. And relatives are awaiting word from the Trudeau government that the chilly relationship between Canada and Iran that grew colder with the severing of diplomatic relations in 2012 will thaw enough to allow a new rapport.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau welcomed the "quiet diplomacy" that led to the Iran nuclear deal.

In his election campaign, Trudeau pledged to reopen the Tehran embassy that was shuttered under the Harper government. But Foreign Minister Stephane Dion said that while it "cannot be done overnight," it would be done "properly in a timely manner."

A more rapid move could be the lifting of Canadian sanctions against Iran. A briefing note written for Trudeau and obtained by The Canadian Press says that Ottawa could lift them "as early as winter 2016 and as late as summer 2016."

Dion suggested the cabinet would make a decision quickly — a move that could give Canadian companies the chance to bid for Iranian contracts that might be snapped up by the U.S.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Switch your mortgage to Scotiabank and get 24 FREE movies.*

Ask us about the mortgage that's right for you.

www.scotiabank.com/switch

You're richer than you think.® Scotiabank®

®Registered trademarks of The Bank of Nova Scotia. * This offer is available for up to one Scotiabank Mortgage per property address. To be eligible for the 24 general admission movie passes or 24,000 SCENE points offer, you must apply for a mortgage with Scotiabank between October 1, 2015 and February 29, 2016, and fully advance your mortgage with Scotiabank within 120 calendar days of the mortgage application date. Offer only available on transfers of existing mortgages from another lender or financial institution to The Bank of Nova Scotia. A minimum mortgage amount of $100,000 is required. This offer is valid for closed mortgages with a three year term or greater. Movie passes/points will be provided within 90 days after the Scotiabank mortgage has fully advanced. This offer cannot be combined with any other mortgage promotions or offers. This offer may be changed or withdrawn at any time without notice and may not be combined with any other discounts, offers or promotions. SCENE members can redeem 1,000 points for a free General Admission movie ticket. Or 1 movie pass is worth a free general admission movie. Some conditions and limitations apply. If you qualify for this offer you will receive 24,000 SCENE points or 24 movie passes. SCENE points will be deposited into your eligible SCENE membership account. For joint mortgages, the points will be deposited to the membership account of the borrower who is a SCENE member. Where more than one borrower is a SCENE member, the points will be deposited to the membership account owned by the primary borrower on the mortgage. If the borrowers eligible for the offer are not SCENE members, movie passes will be mailed to your mailing address.

People carry the body of a victim killed in a truck bombing in Jameela market in the predominantly Shiite neighbourhood of Sadr City, Baghdad, Iraq, in August 2015. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Iraqis dying at 'staggering' rate

MIDDLE EAST

Nearly 19,000 were killed over 22-month span, says UN report

Iraq witnessed a sharp increase in civilian deaths following the fall of large swaths of territory to the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) in the summer of 2014. Now despite a string of recent battlefield losses for ISIL, civilians in Iraq continue to die at a "staggering" rate, according to a new United Nations report.

At least 18,802 civilians were killed and another 36,245 were wounded in Iraq between the start of 2014 and Oct. 31 of last year, according to the report released Tuesday.

"Despite their steady losses to pro-government forces, the scourge of ISIL continues to kill, maim and displace Iraqi civilians in the thousands," UN envoy Jan Kubis said in a statement.

The numbers are nowhere near the death tolls recorded during Iraq's civil war. In 2006 more than 34,000 civilians were killed, according to UN data.

Civilian casualties since the rise of ISIL in Iraq are considerably higher than the preceding years of relative stability. In 2011, the number of civilian deaths due to violence was at its lowest since the civil war, with fewer than 2,800 killed.

UN human rights chief Zeid Raad al-Hussein said the civilian death toll may be even higher.

"Even the obscene casualty figures fail to accurately reflect exactly how terribly civilians are suffering in Iraq," he said.

The UN report also documented human rights abuses, such as ISIL's conscription of 3,500 people into slavery. Many of those are women and children from the Yazidi religious minority who were taken hostage and forced into sexual slavery in 2014. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

> "Casualty figures fail to accurately reflect exactly how terribly civilians are suffering. Zeid Raad al-Hussein

INDIA

Suicide of student triggers protest

Shouting slogans and holding placards on Tuesday, hundreds of students angrily protested the death of an Indian student who, along with four others, was barred from using some facilities at his university in the southern tech-hub of Hyderabad.

The protesters accused Hyderabad University's vice-chancellor and a federal minister of unfairly demanding punishment for the five lower-caste students after they clashed last year with a group of students supporting the Hindu nationalist party.

Police are investigating whether actions by the officials contributed to the 26-year-old doctoral student's death, which they say was a suicide. He had been a member of a group representing Dalits, the lowest caste in India's Hindu caste hierarchy.

Police detained eight students Tuesday following day-long protests on Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Students cry out for redress. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ISSofBC

English Now!

No-cost English Language training for BC immigrants.

- Job-related English training in administration or retail busines
- No-cost classes plus weekly one-to-one tutorials with your instructor
- Connections to employment programs and employers
- Classes in Vancouver, Richmond, Langley or New Westminster
- Transit fares provided

Contact English Now at ISS of BC for details.

604-684-2325
englishnow@issbc.org
www.issbc.org/english-now

Vancouver ● Richmond ● New Westminster ● Langley

Canada | WelcomeBC

Project Based Language Training is part of the WelcomeBC umbrella of services, made possible through funding from the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columia

www.issbc.org facebook.com/issbc twitter.com/issbc

DID YOU KNOW ELECTRICIANS IN BC CAN EARN UP TO $39.32/HR*?

Train in our **state-of-the-art labs** from experienced industry professionals! Apply for the **Construction Electrician Foundation** program and you can earn your diploma in less than a year.

VANCOUVER CAREER COLLEGE ALSO OFFERS PROGRAMS IN:

- EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
- HEALTH CARE ASSISTANT
- MEDICAL OFFICE ASSISTANT
- PLUMBER FOUNDATIONS
- SOCIAL SERVICES WORKER FOUNDATIONS
- AND MORE!

ASK ABOUT OUR EVENING CLASSES!

*jobbank.gc.ca

Financial assistance may be available to qualified applicants.

1.800.993.4086
STUDY.VCCOLLEGE.CA

VANCOUVER CAREER COLLEGE

Postmedia cuts 90 jobs

PRINT MEDIA

Journalists take to Twitter to announce their layoffs

Postmedia Network Canada Corp., Canada's largest newspaper chain, has begun making dramatic cuts at its media properties — including merging newsroom operations in cities where it has two papers.

In a memo, Paul Godfrey, president and CEO, said the company was eliminating 90 jobs across the chain as part of efforts to cut $80 million in costs by next year.

However, Godfrey made it clear that it would continue to operate the two papers in Ottawa, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver, though there will be only one newsroom.

"Let me be clear on one very important point — we will continue to operate separate brands in each of these markets. What is changing is how we produce these products," Godfrey said. Each city will have one newsroom, under one editor. It also plans to offer a buyout program in the Vancouver and Ottawa newsrooms as part of the one newsroom initiative.

On Twitter, journalists started announcing their own departures including the National Post's basketball writer Eric Koreen and Edmonton Journal's editor-in-chief Margo Goodhand and managing editor Stephanie Coombs.

Goodhand tweeted: "So sorry to leave that tremendously talented @edmontonjournal newsroom. No regrets."

Coombs tweeted: "Super sad to say as of today, I'm no longer with the @edmontonjournal. It's been a privilege to work there and tell Edmonton's stories."

Last week, when Postmedia, which owns the National Post and the Toronto Sun, reported its latest earnings, executives made it clear that it was accelerating its goal to cut costs as it continues to bleed advertising, print circulation and digital media revenue.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Multimedia reporter Sam Cooley makes his way to his car after being laid off from the Ottawa Sun on Tuesday. Postmedia is stepping up plans to slash costs amid mounting revenue losses.
SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

DEPARTURES

Number of jobs lost across Postmedia operations:

- **Edmonton Journal & Edmonton Sun:** 35 combined jobs
- **Calgary Herald & Calgary Sun:** 25 combined jobs
- **Ottawa Citizen & Ottawa Sun:** a total of 12 jobs
- **National Post:** five jobs, mostly in the sports department
- **Saskatoon Star-Phoenix:** one job
- **Windsor Star:** one job

SUN TAKEOVER

Top 6 execs get sunny bonuses

In the midst of its cuts, Postmedia is paying nearly a million dollars in bonuses to executives for their hand in the deal to buy the Sun newspapers.

A total of $925,000 in discretionary bonuses was paid out to its top six executives in the 2015 fiscal year ended in August, according to company documents filed Wednesday.

CEO Paul Godfrey, whose base salary was unchanged at $950,000, received $400,000 in the payout. He was also the only executive to receive a bonus under the short-term incentive plan. Godfrey's total compensation was $1.76 million, up from $1.42 million the previous year.

Ousted chief operating officer Wayne Parrish received a $150,000 bonus related to the Sun acquisition, plus a $1-million severance package after his termination in July — twice his $475,000 base salary.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Unstable times, except in the C-suite. metroVIEWS

HAIR LOSS?

HF LASER SKIN CLINICS IS A CANADIAN COMPANY DEVOTED TO THE ANALYSIS OF NON-DISEASED HAIR PROBLEMS. A number of men and women experience Hair Loss and Scalp Disorders that will lead to baldness.

Most people allow their problem to escalate through procrastination, neglect or simply a lack of knowledge. There are numerous formulas claiming hair growth, many of which will not help your type of Hair and Scalp Disorder.

The **first** step is to find out more about your Hair Loss problem. And what can be done to to help your individual case.

To accurately evaluate your Hair Loss disorder, HF LASER SKIN CLINICS provide a VISUALIZATION MICROSCOPIC TEST that enables you to understand the particular nature of your Hair Loss/ Thinning problem. Presently, the VISUALIZATION MICROSCOPIC TEST for people losing hair is at no charge or obligation. **For a complimentary test & scalp analysis contact:**

HF LASER SKIN CLINICS

VANCOUVER
(604) 341-0054
100-3077 Granville Street

www.Hairfreeclinics.com
micronvancouver@gmail.com
www.micronlabs.com

We offer all solutions to your problem. You don't have to be bald.

Manuel FERNANDES
FINE MEN'S APPAREL

RETIREMENT CLOSEOUT SALE

Manuel Fernandes is RETIRING and this will be your FINAL OPPORTUNITY to purchase top quality brand name men's clothing and accessories well below cost.

ALL INVENTORY 70% OFF THE ORIGINAL PRICES

Tailoring not included.

Coppley • Manzoni • Pal Zileri • Canali • Sand • Codice • Serica • Haupt • Casa Moda • Venti • Paul & Shark • Bugatti • Green Coast • Gran Sasso • Gianni Marcelo • Alberto • Dion • Allen Edmonds • Hamlet • Benvenuto • Benigni • Torras • 7 Downie Street • Georg Roth • Johnstons of Elgin • Stefano Corsini • Italo Ferretti • Pantherella • Bresciani • Marcoliani • G. Chabrolle

FINAL WEEKS! Open Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 am To 6:00 pm

10331 150th Street, Surrey • 604-584-6055

7316393

One of 5 simple ways to end the stigma around mental illness.

It's not always easy to know how to break the stigma associated with mental illness. Mental health experts suggest 5 easy ways you can help. Here's one way.

Talk about it

Start a conversation about mental health with everyone close to you. Because everyone has someone in their life that has been impacted by mental illness. Talk about it, and you'll be taking a big step in helping to create a stigma-free world where those who need help don't fear asking for it.

Mary Walsh

Bell Let's Talk

Learn more at
bell.ca/letstalk.

metro VIEWS
Your essential daily news
Wednesday, January 20, 2016

URBAN ETIQUETTE ELLEN VANSTONE

THE ISSUE

I have two cats. Certain allergic friends show up at my house and, forgetting I have them, request an antihistamine. If you're that allergic, shouldn't you carry a Claritin in your wallet?

Dear Ellen,

I have two cats. Certain allergic friends routinely show up at my house forgetting I have them, and then request an antihistamine. A while back, a friend even brought another friend, whom I didn't know, and the friend of the friend seized up and started pleading for me to find an antihistamine. Sorry, but cats aren't iguanas or tarantulas — it's not that rare for someone to have one. He should keep a bloody Claritin in his wallet if he's that allergic. I spent 10 minutes searching the house for a remedy while my other guests waited to have their cocktails made. Advice?

Victor, Toronto

Dear Victor,

You don't mention whether or not your 10 minutes of searching resulted in finding an antihistamine or not. Should I wonder if, even if you did find one, that you might have pretended otherwise in order to let the allergic friend of the friend suffer? Or even have to leave the party if the symptoms overwhelmed him?

That wouldn't be the best example of good manners, I suppose. But I could certainly understand the impulse. And I say this as a guest who has committed the sin you describe more than once: I know I'm allergic to cats, have forgotten about my host's cats and have then asked said host for an antihistamine on the few occasions I've failed to pack my own.

Guests who come for dinner should come with the attitude that they're lucky to be there at all.

Now that I see it from your point of view, I'm acutely aware of how annoying this must be. To all my cat-owning friends who've so kindly provided me with pills over the years, please accept my sincere apologies!

The point is guests who come for dinner, be they allergic, non-allergic, invited or uninvited, should come with the attitude that they're lucky to be there at all. The only demand any guest may reasonably make is to have access to a washroom with a working door.

Otherwise, their job is to show abject gratitude from the moment they enter bearing a bouquet of flowers, a bottle of something nice, and a policy of praising everything you own, say or do — from the cleverly situated salt-encrusted boot tray in your front hall right down to the dusty after-dinner mints you apparently filched from the checkout counter at a family restaurant in 2002.

You as host, meanwhile, have the equally important responsibility of pretending everything your guests say or do is utterly charming: "No, I didn't know you were a vegan — let me whip up a toasted-kale and chickpea loaf for you"; "Don't worry about that old crystal; it's just a wedding gift my great-grandmother smuggled out of Odessa before the revolution. It was bound to break some day hahaha!"

It sounds as if you did play the perfect host in the scenario you describe, Victor, so you don't need etiquette advice. What you do need is practical advice so you can avoid the ill-effects of lasting resentment over rudely allergic guests and your simmering anxiety over failing to get drinks quickly into the hands of your other guests.

You have two choices: 1) Keep some antihistamines on hand, ideally in the spice cupboard between the anise and the Baharat, which you can easily access when an allergic freeloader shows up; 2) Rid your house of all antihistamines so you can truthfully say, "Sorry, I don't have anything on hand, but there's a Shoppers just down the road."

And then start serving those drinks.

Need advice?
Email Ellen:
scene@metronews.ca

ROSEMARY WESTWOOD
metroview

Dear media execs, when times get tough, the tough take pay cuts

If he has a heart, which some journalists doubt, Paul Godfrey might now be regretting those diamond-studded Sun newspaper cufflinks.

Turns out, they're not such a good look for a job-slashing newspaper CEO.

Yesterday Postmedia announced it's cutting 90 jobs and dramatically changing the local news scene in four cities by merging the newsrooms of its Sun-tabloid and broadsheet papers in Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary and Ottawa.

As Canadian journalists flocked to Twitter to decry the news, Godfrey's name topped the trending charts, and photos of his executive bling flooded newsfeeds.

To be clear: Newspapers everywhere are in crisis. Print-ad revenue continues to dive, and online ads can't come close to filling the gap.

But the crisis has yet to hit the salaries of Canadian media executives.

Journalists, ad reps and admin staff are the ones bearing the brunt of the industry's beating. Yet the C-suite is still downright lucrative. And the incongruence is galling.

In a memo to staff, Godfrey used pat euphemisms such as "ongoing pressures" and described the cuts as a "transformation." Postmedia's plan to cut $80 million by the end of 2017 "requires looking at everything in a new way," he noted. "Nothing is off the table."

Except, presumably, cutting his own salary.

Postmedia posted a net loss of $4.2 million late last year. At the same time, Godfrey enjoyed a pay raise. He earned $1.76 million in 2015, up from $1.42 million the year before. He and his executive-suite colleagues were handsomely rewarded to the tune of $925,000 for having overseen the acquisition of the Sun chain earlier this year — a deal that made yesterday's "transformation" possible.

Of course, Postmedia isn't the only company with well-paid executives and struggling newspapers. Quebecor paid its CEO nearly $15 million in 2014, the year after it slashed more than 1,000 Sun Media jobs. According to Bloomberg, the total calculated compensation of the CEO of Torstar, which owns this newspaper, the Toronto Star and Metroland papers, was about $3 million in 2014.

(The Globe and Mail is privately held, and isn't required to divulge executive pay.)

Every North American paper is suffering, and obviously it's not because every CEO is bad at her job.

But the least executives can do is show times really are rough, and take a pay cut.

metro
Your essential daily news

STAR MEDIA GROUP PRESIDENT
John Cruickshank
VICE PRESIDENT & EDITOR
Cathrin Bradbury
VICE PRESIDENT & GROUP PUBLISHER METRO WESTERN CANADA
Steve Shrout
MANAGING EDITOR VANCOUVER
Jeff Hodson
ADVERTISER INQUIRIES
adinfovancouver@metronews.ca
General phone 604-602-1002
FREE TO SHARE

PHILOSOPHER CAT
by Jason Logan

Philosopher cat now at
www.mymetrostore.ca

metro LIFE

Your essential daily news

Kate Middleton to guest-edit Huffington Post U.K., focusing on child mental health

Best of men's runway

With male models about to walk the runways in Paris and New York, we take a look at the biggest Fall/Winter 2016 fashion and beauty trends straight from Milan. THE CANADIAN PRESS/GETTY IMAGES

Boyish bohemian at Gucci

Creative director Alessandro Michele unpacked a chest full of 1970s memories for his latest Gucci menswear collection. His runway-realized looks reference a happy boyhood, with Sherlock Holmes-style detective capes and caps, Snoopy and Woodstock motifs on T-shirts, a Charlie Brown sweater, and a crinkly Western cowboy shirt with boot-leg jeans.

Grown-up Gucci looks incorporated floral prints, a mainstain of the house, into embellished and embroidered coats and suits, and pyjamas.

Lap of luxury at Fendi

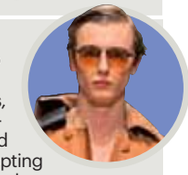
Life is pretty plush at Fendi. A model glided down a carpeted spiral staircase in a soft plaid overcoat-cum-dayrobe with matching trousers to soothing soul music. Think Jack Nicholson playing golf in his robe, one of the references on Silvia Venturini Fendi's mood board backstage.

Fendi's looks were all about cozy comfort, right down to the lush accessories: A parka with yellow fur trim was paired with a large yellow, furry bag. Plaids and checks on jackets, pants and bags created a homey feel, and Fendi boldly paired mohair jackets with matching pants, for a definite Fozzie Bear feel.

Urban formal at Emporio Armani

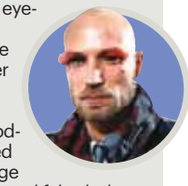
The Emporio Armani man is urban and sleek. There is no excess, just the essential. Giorgio Armani used new technology to bond materials for his more contemporary line, creating new forms and a futuristic feel. Formal double-breasted jackets were worn with pleated trousers. A shawl jacket with diagonal zipper was paired with athletically cut pants.

BEAUTY



Side part
The go-to look for designers, Prada distinguished itself by opting for a slicked-over do. Philipp Plein exaggerated the look by letting roots show on dyed hair.

Long hair
Many models strutted with long hair breezing out behind them. At Vivienne Westwood the look was bedraggled, while at Calvin Klein models wore their shoulder-length locks with a slick center part.



David Bowie beauty
The most eye-catching looks were at Moncler Gamme Bleu, where models sported camouflage face paint and false lashes. While Vivienne Westwood sent models out wearing vibrant eyeshadow that matched their shirts. AFP

M.B.A.
or
M.S. IN COMPUTER SECURITY

EARN YOUR MASTER'S DEGREE FROM A GLOBAL INSTITUTION

- AACSB-Accredited M.B.A.
- Only M.S. in Computer Security in Western Canada
- B.B.A. grads are eligible for credit transfer
- International students are eligible for post-graduate work permits

AACSB ACCREDITED

nyit.edu/canada
604.639.0942
vancouverinfo@nyit.edu
701 W. Georgia St., 17th floor
Vancouver, Canada

NYIT

SALE ON NOW!

AB10681A

2008 FORD RANGER 4X4 FX4
NEW OVERSIZE TIRES FOR MAX. ALL-TERRAIN TRACTION, A/C, AUTOMATIC, POWER GROUP, TOW PKG & ACCESSORIES.
~~$11,995~~ ON SALE NOW $10,895

OP0001

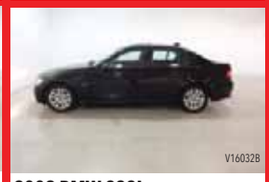
2013 SUBARU WRX / STI AWD
FULLY OPTIONED WITH SPORT-TECH PACKAGE, SUNROOF, SPORT SEATS, SI DRIVE, 6-SPEED MANUAL, HEATED
$282 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS NOW ONLY $36,995

BB3950

2014 SUBARU LEGACY 2.5I AWD
ONLY 18,000 KM's! TOURING PACKAGE, SUNROOF, STEERING CONTROLS, BLUETOOTH, POWER GROUP, CLIMATE CONTROL.
$209 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS NOW ONLY $26,888

K15466A

2005 HONDA CIVIC SE
LOW MILEAGE 'SPECIAL EDITION' INCLUDES A/C, POWER LOCKS, POWER WINDOWS, AUTOMATIC, KEYLESS ENTRY.
~~$6,999~~ ON SALE NOW $5,988


V16032B

2008 BMW 323I
ONLY 69,000 KM's! SUNROOF, BLUETOOTH, ALLOYS, POWER GROUP, AUTO-TIPTRONIC, STEERING CONTROLS!
~~$13,998~~ ON SALE NOW $12,998

K15482A

2008 FORD F-150 LARIAT
4X4, AUTOMATIC, FLEX FUEL, HEATED AND POWER DOOR MIRRORS, TURN SIGNAL INDICTATOR MIRRORS, A/C.
~~$21,999~~ ON SALE NOW $19,995

BB4062

2015 SUBARU FORESTER AWD
ONLY 6,000 KM's! HEATED SEATS, STEERING CONTROLS, BLUE-TOOTH, POWER GROUP, A/C, X MODE, AUTO-TIPTRONIC, ALARM
$202 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS NOW ONLY $25,995

S16156A

2006 NISSAN X-TRAIL LE 4WD
LUXURY MODEL FULLY EQUIPPED WITH LEATHER SEATS, ALLOYS, PANORAMIC MOONROOF, POWER & HEATED SEATS.
~~$7,995~~ ON SALE NOW $6,988

AB10689

2003 MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE RS
POWER GROUP, ALUMINUM ALLOY WHEELS, NEW TIRES, AIR CONDITIONING, AUTOMATIC, AM/FM RADIO, CD PLAYER.
~~$6,999~~ ON SALE NOW $4,488

S16320A

2004 VW JETTA WAGON GLS
LOW MILEAGE JETTA INCLUDES A/C, POWER GROUP, KEYLESS ENTRY, ALARM, HEATED SEATS, ALUMINUM ALLOY WHEELS.
~~$7,999~~ ON SALE NOW $5,995

S14828A

2014 SUBARU IMPREZA AWD
ONLY 25,000 KM's! STEERING CONTROLS, BLUETOOTH, POWER GROUP, A/C, AUTO-TIPTRONIC, KEYLESS ENTRY, ALARM
~~$21,995~~ ON SALE NOW $17,995

K16167B

2003 CADILLAC ESCALADE
LOW MILEAGE, IN TERRIFIC CONDITION, INCLUDES LEATHER SEATS, REAL WOOD TRIM, BOSE SOUND SYSTEM, TOW PKG, PARKING SENSORS.
~~$12,995~~ ON SALE NOW $9,988

BB5022A

2002 JEEP LIBERTY LTD EDITION
CHROME FRONT PUSH BAR & SIDE STEPS, SUNROOF, POWER GROUP, A/C, ROOF RAILS, TOW PKG, AUTO, MUD FLAPS CARGO TRAY, TONNEAU COVER.
~~$6,995~~ ON SALE NOW $4,995

S16054A

2012 NISSAN ALTIMA 2.5 S
AUTO, LEATHER, SUNROOF, POWER SEAT, CLIMATE CONTROL, HEATED SEATS, HEATED & POWER DOOR MIRRORS.
~~$14,888~~ ON SALE NOW $13,888

AB10684

2014 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LTD
ALL TERRAIN 4WD, LEATHER, SUNROOF, POWER GROUP, CLIMATE CONTROL, HEATED SEATS, PARKING SENSORS.
$268 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS NOW ONLY $34,995

Darren Budd

Eric Yapp

AUTO DIRECT

3771 NO.3 ROAD, RICHMOND, BC (OPPOSITE YAOHAN CENTRE)

CALL US TODAY 1.855.582.3691

FOR YOUR QUICK APPROVAL!

www.wcautodirect.com

All prices are subject to documentation and tax. Payments include tax and $895 documentation fees . Terms based on 4.99% over 84 months. All ICBC reports and Car Proofs available on request. DL

JOHANNA SCHNELLER **WHAT I'M WATCHING**

Denis Leary's knack for writing banter

THE SHOW: Sirens, Season 1, Episode 1 (Crave)
THE MOMENT: The first conversation

Sirens follows some fast talking Chicago EMTs. CONTRIBUTED

Three Chicago EMTs are speeding to hospital. The driver is Johnny (Michael Mosley), whose cop girlfriend has a hot male partner. Attending to the victim is Hank (Kevin Daniels). The new guy is Brian (Kevin Bigley). Their conversation is lightning fast.

Johnny: She wouldn't say that if she didn't still care about me.
Hank: Alternate theory — she wants into Denzel's pants.
Brian: I think his name is Danny.
Hank: Denzel to me. Hot Mo Better Blues Denzel. (*to Brian*) I'm gay, by the way.
Brian tries to be cool.
Brian: You know who I think is a good-looking guy? Tim Tebow.
Hank: Who's your ICE (in case of emergency contact), Brian?
Brian: My mom. Well, she lives right upstairs.
Johnny: You got a girlfriend?
Brian: We broke up. She got clingy.
Hank: Your girlfriend's clingy. Tim Tebow is handsome. I got a better shot at p— tonight, and all I'm thinking about is Denzel's lips.
Johnny: Can we stop calling him Denzel?

I knew nothing about this show (USA cancelled it last April), but this is love at first sight. Isn't that a thrill — when you know instantly you're in expert hands?

Denis Leary co-created Sirens, and like his previous series, the excellent Rescue Me, it shines brightest when characters give each other s—. Leary has a genius ear for how funny people talk.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

AWARDS

Nominees announced for CSAs

The Canadian Screen Awards will have some Oscar-style glamour this year.

Room, the chilling story of a young mother and five-year-old young son held in captivity by her kidnapper, leads the CSA pack with 11 nominations, including nods for Best Motion Picture, Best Director (Lenny Abrahamson) Best Actress for Brie Larson, Best Actor for Canadian Jacob Tremblay and Best Supporting Actress for Joan Allen. The Irish-Canadian production, winner of the 2015 TIFF People's Choice Award, has four Oscar nominations.

Triple Oscar nominee Brooklyn, also an Irish-Canadian co-production, is up for three CSAs, including Best Motion Picture, although star Saoirse Ronan was overlooked.

It's too early to say which stars will be seen on the red carpet or at the CSA gala, hosted by comedian Norm Macdonald at the Sony Centre and telecast on CBC on March 13. Past CSA host Martin Short will receive a lifetime achievement award at the awards evening.

Martin Katz, chair of the Academy of Canadian Cinema & Television, pointed out there were 21 Oscar nominations for Canadians this year, helping make it a "record-breaking year" for homegrown film.

Brie Larson and Jacob Tremblay star in Room, which leads the Canadian Screen Awards with 11 nominations. HANDOUT

For the first time there are 10 Best Motion Picture nominees, including Corbo, The Demons (Les Démons), Felix and Meira, The Forbidden Room, My Internship in Canada, Our Loved Ones (Les êtres chers), Remember and Sleeping Giant, as well as Room and Brooklyn.

On the TV side, comedy Schitt's Creek led with 14 nods (plus one Digital Media nomination). Father-son team Eugene Levy and Dan Levy are both up for Best Performance by an Actor in a comedic role, with Annie Murphy and Catherine O'Hara both nominated for Best Performance by an Actress in a Comedy.

Orphan Black has 13 nominations, including Best Actress for star Tatiana Maslany. Police drama 19-2 and comedy Mr. D had 12 nominations, with 11 nods for series The Book of Negroes (plus one Digital Media nomination).

Paul Gross-directed Afghan war drama Hyena Road earned eight nominations on the film side, with seven for Our Loved Ones (Les êtres chers) and five each for Endorphine, Felix and Meira (Félix et Meira) and Forsaken. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

metro DRIVE
Your essential daily news

Opulence shock: Rolls Royce releases gold-plated Palm Edition 999 Wraith

If you're in it for the heavy haul

REVIEW

Canyon a great choice for those with oversized needs

Jil McIntosh
For Metro Canada

Up until now, full-size trucks have been the primary home for diesel engines. But for 2016, GM's midsize GMC Canyon, and its mechanical-twin Chevrolet Colorado, also add diesel power to the portfolio.

It's a four-cylinder with a displacement of just 2.8 litres. But while the Canyon's available 3.6-litre V6 engine makes 269 lb.-ft. of torque, the low-end power that's important on trucks, this little diesel churns out 369 lb.-ft.

It gives this midsize a maximum towing capacity of up to 7,600 lbs. (3,447 kg), an extra 600 lbs. over the V6's top ability.

Given its more manageable footprint over the full-size GMC Sierra, the Canyon could be a good choice for tradespeople who need to haul loads into the city core, or easier parking for those who regularly tow boats or campers.

The diesel's better fuel economy is also a bonus, but you'll need to drive it a lot before you begin to see the savings.

The engine is a $4,390 option, and only available on the two highest SLE and SLT trims levels. It comes in 4x2 or 4x4 configuration, but can only be added to Crew Cab models, not to Extended Cab.

It's a great engine to drive, especially in combination with the Canyon's well-weighted steering and smooth handling, and while its diesel rumble is noticeable, I like its sound.

It's hooked exclusively to a six-speed automatic transmission and includes an integrated exhaust brake that helps to slow the truck down on deceleration, a great feature when you're towing.

The Canyon's interior looks like a scaled-down version of the full-size GMC, with easy-to-use controls, comfortable front seats, and rear seats that flip up for access to covered storage cubbies below.

> **The Canyon could be a good choice for tradespeople who need to haul loads into the city core.**

You can kit it out with a number of higher-end options, including navigation, forward collision alert, and heated leather seats.

Although I've listed competitors, all of them are gasoline-only.

For now, GM's twins are the only midsize trucks available with diesel. It's not an engine for everyone, but for those who work their trucks hard, it could potentially be the perfect choice.

THE CHECKLIST | 2016 GMC CANYON

THE BASICS

Type. Four-door, midsize pickup truck
Power. 2.8-litre four-cylinder diesel (181/369)
Transmission. Six-speed automatic
Price. $31,360 (base SLE); $47,690 (tested), plus destination

COOL FEATURES

- Duralife long-life brake rotors
- Bed-access step in the bumper end
- Available factory spray-in bedliner
- Easy-lift locking tailgate
- Apple CarPlay smartphone connectivity
- Available lane departure warning
- In-vehicle WiFi hot spot

2016 GMC CANYON PHOTOS: JIL MCINTOSH FOR METRO; ALL OTHERS HANDOUT

POINTS

- As with other diesels, it requires diesel exhaust fluid to control emissions.
- It won the midsize category at the Canadian Truck King Challenge last fall.
- The exhaust brake operates automatically depending on speed and incline.
- It can run on biodiesel, if you can find a station that carries it.

MARKET POSITION

- The diesel scandal has affected cars, but it's still a popular choice for pickup trucks. If enough buyers get past the Canyon engine's high buy-in, you might see other manufacturers offering it in smaller trucks as well.

THE COMPETITION

Toyota Tacoma
Base price: $27,995

Nissan Frontier
Base price: $23,148

Honda Ridgeline
Base price: TBA

cypress mountain.com
Ski or Snowboard For Only $39*
*With Online Pre-Purchase
With Our GOLD MEDAL CARD
You'll LOVE it up here!
Purchase Today At cypressmountain.com
CYPRESS MOUNTAIN IS PROUD TO PARTNER WITH:
Red Bull metro Coca-Cola KIND SPY Global BC

Cheap gas tests eco-friendly push

AUTOMAKERS

Achieving gains more challenging for industry

GMC's new Acadia SUV weighs 318 kg less than this 2013 version it replaces. Using lighter materials is one way car companies can reduce their carbon footprint. ©CHICAGO AUTO SHOW

Beneath the hoods of the cars showing in Detroit this week lie engines that are as powerful as ever, but are smaller and, helped by direct injection, guzzle less gas.

Automakers have subbed out stainless steel for aluminum and other lighter-weight materials, and added more gears to let engines run in "sweet spot" mode more often, so that their cars and trucks can save money on fuel and emit less climate-harming pollutants. But with gasoline prices now nearly half of what they were just two years ago, the question is, do consumers care?

Under pressure from government regulation, fuel economy in U.S. cars has risen 26 per cent since 2004. Yet there are signs of flagging progress. Data from the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute suggest fuel economy fell in 2015, with a significant drop in the last months of the year. With gasoline prices so low, customers appear less pressured to buy more fuel-efficient cars, not to mention electrics and hybrids.

"You hear a lot of noise about demand for hybrids not being so big," Honda executive vice president John Mendel said at a launch Monday of its Ridgeline pickup truck. "When (gasoline) was four or five bucks a gallon, everybody was clamoring for anything — a hybrid, ... something to take the sting out."

Government pressure since the late 2000s to improve fuel consumption has spurred the gains. Compliance is determined on gains of individual models and also whether the average efficiency of an automaker's overall fleet is improving enough. Trucks and SUVs, for example, are not expected to get the same mileage as sedans and subcompacts, only to improve their mileage each year. But with trucks and SUVS now dominating sales, automakers have to keep improving the performance of those vehicles.

> **"You hear a lot of noise about demand for hybrids not being so big."**
> John Mendel, Honda

Achieving gains has become more difficult now that the easiest changes — the "low-hanging fruit" — have been implemented, said Wade Newton of the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers.

Others say there is still lots of potential.

"There's lots of room to get efficiency from these engines before we get rid of the internal-combustion engine," said General Motors executive vice president Mark Reuss. AFP

DETROIT AUTO SHOW

Green is the theme

One of the major themes at this year's Detroit Auto Show was greater environmental responsibility, whether via hybrids, plug-in electric or fuel cell.

"We believe Mirai and hydrogen fuel cell technology represents the future of sustainable transportation," said Jim Lentz, Toyota North America CEO.

Toyota is even inviting other companies to use its patents.

"We hope sharing this technology with the auto industry will bring us closer to achieving a future hydrogen society helping us to improve lives for generations to come," continued Lentz.

For its show car, Audi unveiled a hydrogen powered crossover, the h-tron Quattro, and Mercedes and BMW have also indicated their desire to explore the technology, but for the moment, hybrids are key. AFP

Audi's h-tron Quattro. ©NEWSPRESS

10 DAY SALE
— STARTS THIS FRIDAY —
GET UP TO $2,000^ BONUS CASH* ON SELECT 2016 MODELS
LEASE FROM 0%** ON OTHER SELECT 2016 MODELS
^Tiguan Highline amount shown

2016 TIGUAN
GET UP TO $2,000 BONUS CASH*
AVAILABLE 4MOTION® ALL-WHEEL DRIVE
Highline model shown

Hurry, you only have until February 1 to enjoy this amazing offer.
Visit your Volkswagen dealer or vwoffers.ca for more details.
Volkswagen

*Up to $2,000 lease bonus cash available to be applied as a discount on MSRP available on lease only (through Volkswagen Finance, on approved credit) of select new and unregistered 2016 Tiguan Highline 4MOTION® models. Discount varies by model. **Limited time lease offer available through Volkswagen Finance, on approved credit, on select new and unregistered 2016 models. Example based on 2016 Jetta 1.4T Trendline (#163VF1) base model with 5-speed manual transmission. $1,605 freight and PDI included in monthly payment. 36-month term at 0% APR with monthly payments of $217. $1,000 lease bonus cash has been applied in monthly payments shown. $0 down payment, $270 security deposit and first monthly payment due at lease inception. Total lease obligation: $7,812. 48,000-kilometre allowance; charge of $0.15/km for excess kilometres. PPSA fee, license, insurance, registration, any dealer or other charges, options and applicable taxes are extra. Dealer may sell or lease for less. Dealer order/trade may be necessary. Offers end February 1, 2016 and are subject to change or cancellation without notice. Model shown: 2016 Tiguan 2.0T Highline R-Line, $39,993. Vehicle shown for illustration purposes only and may include optional equipment. Visit vwoffers.ca or your Volkswagen dealer for details. "Volkswagen", the Volkswagen logo, "Tiguan", "Highline" and "4MOTION" are registered trademarks of Volkswagen AG. © 2016 Volkswagen Canada.

HONDA

bchonda.com

On top of the world. Again.
Whistler, Jenny McKenzie

FIND YOUR H PLACE.

'18 CIVIC

Canada's best-selling car 18 years in a row.

2016 NORTH AMERICAN CAR OF THE YEAR

civic NATION

2016 CIVIC LX

LEASE FOR $59*@ 3.99% APR# $0 DOWN PAYMENT‡

Weekly on a 60 month term with 260 payments.
MSRP $20,485** includes freight and PDI.

INCLUDES FEATURES LIKE:

- Apple CarPlay™ & Android Auto™£†
- Multi-angle rearview camera£ with dynamic guidelines
- HandsFreeLink™-bilingual Bluetooth® wireless mobile interface£†

2016 HR-V LX

LEASE FOR $67*@ 4.99% APR# $0 DOWN PAYMENT‡

Weekly on a 60 month term with 260 payments.
MSRP $22,385** includes freight and PDI.

2016 PILOT LX

LEASE FOR $112*@ 4.99% APR# $0 DOWN PAYMENT‡

Weekly on a 60 month term with 260 payments.
MSRP $37,185** includes freight and PDI.

††

5-Star Safety Ratings

More Stars. Safer Cars.

The 2016 HR-V and Pilot are recipients of NHTSA 5-Star Safety Ratings. 5 stars indicates the highest safety rating received from unbiased and rigorous crash tests.

††Government 5-Star Safety Ratings are part of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA's) New Car Assessment Program (www.SaferCar.gov). *Limited time weekly lease offer and all other offers are from Honda Canada Finance Inc., on approved credit. #The weekly lease offer applies to a new 2016 Civic 4D LX 6MT model FC2E5GE/Pilot LX 2WD YF5H1GE/HR-V LX 2WD MT RU5G3GEX for a 60-month period, for a total of 260 payments of $58.86/$111.65/$66.75 leased at 3.99%/4.99%/4.99% APR based on applying $240/$0/$380 "lease dollars" (which are deducted from the negotiated selling price after taxes). ‡Down payment of $0.00, first weekly payment and $0 security deposit due at lease inception. Total lease obligation is $15,303.60/$29,029.00/$17,355.00. Taxes, license, insurance and registration are extra. 120,000 kilometre allowance; charge of $0.12/km for excess kilometres. **MSRP is $20,485/$37,185/$22,385 including freight and PDI of $1,595/$1,695/$1,695. License, insurance, registration and taxes are extra and may be required at the time of purchase. */#/**Prices and/or payments shown do not include a PPSA lien registration fee of $30.31 and lien registering agent's fee of $5.25, tire/battery tax, air conditioning tax (where applicable) or environmental fees and levies, all of which are due at time of delivery. Offers valid from January 5th through February 1st, 2016 at participating Honda retailers. Dealer may sell/lease for less. Dealer trade may be necessary on certain vehicles. Offers valid only for British Columbia residents at BC Honda Dealers locations. Offers subject to change or cancellation without notice. Terms and conditions apply. Visit www.bchonda.com or see your Honda retailer for full details. £None of the features we describe are intended to replace the driver's responsibility to exercise due care while driving. Drivers should not use handheld devices or operate certain vehicle features unless it is safe and legal to do so. Some features have technological limitations. For additional feature information, limitations and restrictions, please visit www.honda.ca/disclaimers and refer to the vehicle's Owner's Manual. †Only compatible with certain devices and operating systems. Cellular data and/or voice charges may apply, including roaming charges and/or other amounts charged by your wireless carrier.

KIA RICHMOND

KIA

CLEAROUT ON ALL 2015'S

K15278A

2015 KIA SORENTO LX

Ranked #1 SUV in its class, fully loaded, split folding rear seats, power group, V6 engine, only 18,762 kms, 290 HP, smart key with push button, 7 passenger.

$202 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS $27,995 SALE PRICE

K16091A

2015 CHRYSLER 200 S

Leather, navigation, panoramic sunroof, remote start, only 6,441 kms! heated steering wheel, heated seats, sport mode, backup camera, fully loaded.

$173 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS $23,995 SALE PRICE

BB3747

2014 SUBARU IMPREZA

Only 17,656 kms, AWD, Bluetooth, auxiliary audio input, automatic headlights, roof rails, engine immobilizer, split folding rear seats, multifunction display, air conditioning.

$159 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS $21,995 SALE PRICE

FB1554

2014 KIA FORTE 5 EX

2.0L, heated seats, Bluetooth, backup camera, only 18,430 kms, AUX/USB input ports, Active ECO, 60/40 split rear seat, fuel efficient, hill assist control, rear cooling vent.

$101 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS $13,995 SALE PRICE

FB1512A

2014 DODGE JOURNEY SXT

Great pick for families on a budget. Useful interior storage solutions and a smart touchscreen interface. A/C, Power and heated mirrors, CD/AM/FM, AUX input and USB with external media control.

$144 BI-WEEKLY @ 84 MONTHS $19,995 SALE PRICE

AB10675

2013 TOYOTA CAMRY LE

Automatic, Bluetooth, backup camera, power group, A/C, delay-off headlights, fully automatic headlights, tilt and telescoping steering wheel, AM/FM radio, MP3 decoder.

$159 BI-WEEKLY @ 60 MONTHS $16,995 SALE PRICE

K14692A

2013 KIA RIO LX

138HP and 123ft-lbs of torque engine,ECO, Power mirrors, Heated mirrors, A/C, Bluetooth, Auxiliary audio input and USB with external media control

$103 BI-WEEKLY @ 60 MONTHS $10,995 SALE PRICE

K16242A

2013 SUBARU OUTBACK

AWD, Bluetooth, power options, immaculate, power sunroof, roof rack, split folding rear seats, heated front seats, air conditioning, power seats.

$234 BI-WEEKLY @ 60 MONTHS $24,995 SALE PRICE

K16157A

2012 KIA SOUL 4U

Fully loaded, dual-zone fully automatic temperature control with cabin air filter, automatic defog, LED light bar taillights, fog lights, solar glass.

$131 BI-WEEKLY @ 60 MONTHS $13,995 SALE PRICE

V14677B

2012 KIA OPTIMA LX+

BEST PRICE IN TOWN !!!!!!!!! DARE TO COMPARE! STILL UNDER FACTORY WARRANTY! 2.4L 200hp and 186 ft-lb of torque, 6 speed auto, A/C, Power windows and mirrors.

$140 BI-WEEKLY @ 60 MONTHS $14,995 SALE PRICE

BB3640A

2011 SUBARU LEGACY

AWD, cruise control, power seats, wireless phone connectivity, heated front seats, power driver seat, brake assist, traction control, fully automatic headlights.

$112 BI-WEEKLY @ 60 MONTHS $11,995 SALE PRICE

V16316A

2007 CHEVROLET AVEO LT

Automatic, immaculate, power sunroof, AC, power options, hatchback, split folding rear seat, AM/FM radio, CD player, front fog lights, power steering.

$65 BI-WEEKLY @ 60 MONTHS $6,995 SALE PRICE

KIA RICHMOND

5660 MINORU BLVD, RICHMOND, BC
(Corner of Minoru Blvd. and Lansdowne Rd.)

CALL 1.888.420.1879 NOW

WWW.KIARICHMOND.COM

Jenny Eliazian

Kurtis Uhrich

Pat Fathers

Colleen Schellenberg

*Tax is not included, $599 documentation, $995 finance fees and $199 preparation fee. DL#31149.

EURO NCAP

Volvo XC90 wins safest car award

Euro NCAP has named the Volvo's large XC90 off-roader the best performing vehicle of 2015 to undergo its raft of safety tests.

The crossover luxury SUV has become well known for its glut of safety mechanisms.

Its overall design and construction have resulted in a 97 per cent rating for adult occupants and a 100 per cent rating for its safety assist features.

Typically, crash test vehicles are driven into non-deformable or semi-deformable blocks at pre-defined speeds in order to determine the levels of safety offered to drivers and passengers; test assessments do not typically evaluate the impact of a crash on other road users.

As well as winning the overall performance award, the XC90 also scooped the Large Off-Road category. Other category winners included the Mercedes-Benz GLC (Small Off-Road), the Jaguar XE (Large Family), Infiniti Q30 (Small Family), Honda Jazz (Supermini), VW Touran (Small MPV), and Ford Galaxy / S-MAX (Large MPV.)

None of the tested roadsters achieved a five-star rating, leaving the Mazda MX-5 to collect best in class thanks to a four-star grade. AFP

Volvo XC90 luxury SUV crossover has been engineered for its occupants' safety. ©VOLVO

IN BRIEF

Opel hopes slow tease for its GT Concept will help people see brand with "fresh eyes"

Car manufacturer Opel has started a slow tease of its next concept car, and one which the German company says is an expansion on its sculptural design philosophy.

The GT Concept will help motorists view the brand with "fresh eyes," according to CEO Karl-Thomas Neumann, who also appears in a trailer for the car model.

The two-seater Opel GT was introduced in 1965, entered production in 1968, and was redesigned as a roadster in 2007.

A full reveal is expected at the Geneva Motor Show, taking place March 3 to 13, while a second trailer has been promised for today.

Cars manufactured by the General Motors subsidiary are also sold as Vauxhall in the U.K., Holden in Australia and New Zealand, and under the Buick marque in North America, Mexico and China.

AFP

WINTER FOOD FEST OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES FOR FRIENDLY OUTINGS

Winter is here. That means food truck lunches with your buddies are a thing of the past – right? Think again, friends.

Street Food City - downtown Vancouver's fifth annual winter food truck festival is back for nine days of noshing.

A *Dine Out Vancouver Festival* signature event, Street Food City V will see over 25 local food trucks park in the Vancouver Art Gallery North Plaza and, if it's anything like past years, thousands of foodies will meet them there. This year, food trucks will be donating $1 of sales from special menu items to A Loving Spoonful – a volunteer-driven organization that provides meals to those living with HIV/AIDS in Metro Vancouver.

From gourmet hot dogs, fresh squeezed juices and butter chicken wraps to stick-to-your-ribs chili, delectable grilled cheese sandwiches and some serious sausage, the food variety will appeal to everyone.

Cocktail class more your style? Then check out one of the five cocktail masterclasses that Vancouver's award winning bartender, Lauren Mote has shaken up for this year's festival. One we're especially curious about is the Vitis Constituents session that will have you take a second look at backyard grapes! From brandy and cognac, to fortified wine, eau-de-vie, sherry, vermouth, grappa and neutral spirits, the grape is one of the most important raw materials in the world of mixology. So if you're keen to eat and drink and learn about the journey of the grape including its origins, varietals and evolution, as well as its many innovative applications in spirits, syrups, cocktails, bitters and tonics, this is the event for you.

Either way, round up your friends and have a great time!

For the full details:

DineOutVancouver.com

LUCAS PAVAN / FOR TOURISM VANCOUVER

Boxing promoter Bob Arum plans to make a statement against Donald Trump with an all-Hispanic undercard on his next big pay-per-view

Canucks spun for OT loss

NHL

New York badly outshoots Vancouver but barely earns W

Rangers centre J.T. Miller scores on a wraparound in overtime against Canucks goalie Ryan Miller and centre Bo Horvat on Tuesday night at Madison Square Garden. JULIE JACOBSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The New York Rangers needed more than a season-high 49 shots to beat Ryan Miller and the Vancouver Canucks. They needed just as much patience.

J.T. Miller scooped up his own rebound and scored on a wraparound 3:54 into overtime, and the Rangers rallied for a 3-2 victory over the Canucks on Tuesday night.

"I think anyone is naturally a little bit frustrated," said New York captain Ryan McDonagh, who had the primary assist on the game-winner. "We were getting some high-quality looks there, putting a lot of pucks to them, but that's a goalie that's been well-tested and he can steal games for them. I'm glad that we continued to press and found a way to get a couple more."

The Rangers could easily have given in to the frustration. They not only outshot Vancouver 49-20, they rang four other shots off the post.

While goalie Henrik Lundqvist could feel the frustration creeping in, he said the Rangers have shown the ability to rally in recent weeks.

"We believe that we can turn games around," Lundqvist said.

They did in the third period when Mats Zuccarello tied it with a goal in close with 8:14 left.

J.T. Miller came through for New York in overtime with his 10th of the season.

It was a play that developed because Derek Stepan, who scored the Rangers' first goal, had been on the ice for an extended shift. He looked over to the bench for help, and J.T. Miller jumped on the ice after the centre got to the boards.

McDonagh fed him the puck in the left circle and J.T. Miller fired at Ryan Miller, who made the save. The Rangers forward collected his own rebound, skated around the net and wrapped the puck inside the post before the Canucks goalie could close off the corner.

"If I remember correctly, he didn't see the puck fall and it gave me just enough time to go around the net," J.T. Miller said.

Ryan Miller made 46 saves in defeat, one fewer than he had in a win over the New York Islanders on Sunday.

"They're opportunistic, and they are also able to get in the zone and work around," Ryan Miller said of the Rangers. "They're a strong team."

Andrew Burrows and Sven Baertschi scored for the Canucks.

The Rangers outshot the Canucks 19-3 in the third period and overtime.

The Canucks, who are 8-3-3 in their past 14 games, led 2-1 after two periods despite being outshot 30-17.

Emerson Etem, acquired by the Rangers in the off-season and then shipped to the Canucks earlier this month after doing little in his short stint, got some payback in the second period. Linden Vey won a puck in the corner and sent to it Etem in the right circle. He fired it across the crease for a tap-in by Burrows, who had not scored since Nov. 21. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TUESDAY In New York

3	2
RANGERS	CANUCKS

GAME NOTES

- The Canucks played without captain Henrik Sedin, who is sidelined with an upper-body injury. Jared McCann took his place on a line with Daniel Sedin and Jannik Hansen.
- Ryan Miller has faced 136 shots in his last three games — he has made 129 saves in that span.
- It was the fourth game of a six-game road trip for Vancouver.

WHL

Giants duo cracks midterm rankings

Cam Tucker
Metro | Vancouver

A pair of Vancouver Giants made the list for the NHL Central Scouting's midterm rankings released Tuesday.

Tyler Benson, who could be a potential first-round pick in the 2016 NHL Draft, was ranked 21st among North American skaters.

Benson's season has been interrupted by injury, with surgery to remove a cyst near his tailbone before the season even started and more recently a lower-body injury that has put his status for the upcoming Top Prospects Game in Vancouver in jeopardy.

Benson will be on hand Wednesday at a news conference in Vancouver. The Top Prospects Game goes next Thursday at the Pacific Coliseum.

In 28 games this season, Benson, Vancouver's first overall pick in the 2013 WHL bantam draft, has eight goals and 26 points.

Ty Ronning, not named on Central Scouting's preliminary Players to Watch List in September but added in an updated list in November, was ranked 82nd among North American skaters on Tuesday. Ronning has an impressive 26 goals in 45 games this season.

Ronning missed Monday's game with an upper-body injury and was expected to sit out Tuesday's game in Tri-City, as well.

File with EasyTax® and get cash today.*

It's your money, you shouldn't have to wait.

Start your process online at moneymart.ca/easytax

We can help. Money Mart®

*Same-day cash refund must meet published criteria. Ask a CSR for details. EasyTax® same-day cash refund service is only available on refunds of $100 or more. Same day service applies to fully completed applications with required documentation submitted by 5pm or prevailing turnaround time deadline. Other conditions apply. See store for details or visit moneymart.ca. EasyTax® and Money Mart® are registered service marks of National Money Mart Company. © 2016 National Money Mart Company. All rights reserved.

Sharapova eases into third round

TENNIS

Russian is back after losing Aussie Open final last year

Maria Sharapova advanced to the third round of the Australian Open with a 6-2, 6-1 win over Aliaksandra Sasnovich, staying on course for a potential quarterfinal meeting with Serena Williams.

Sharapova was finished in 71 minutes Wednesday on Rod Laver Arena, the first match completed on Day 3 after light rain caused delays on outside courts. The fifth-seeded Sharapova won the 2008 Australian title and has lost three finals at Melbourne Park, including last year's decider against Williams.

Sharapova dropped two service games in the first set, including once when serving at 5-1, but was otherwise consistent except for some over-hit ground strokes.

"It's great to be back on this court after a great run last year. It was an incredible moment to be in the final of this event again," said Sharapova, who played her first-round match on Margaret Court Arena, one of three covered stadiums at Melbourne Park. "To come back here and play my first match on Rod Laver is always very special as you always get those first little jitters out of the way."

> **It's great to be back on this court after a great run last year.**
> Maria Sharapova

Six-time champion Serena Williams was playing Hsieh Su-wei in the following match on Rod Laver Arena. Her older sister, seven-time major winner Venus Williams, was fined $5,000 on Wednesday for skipping a mandatory news conference following her first-round exit the previous day.

Kateryna Bondarenko earned one of her biggest wins since returning from retirement after having a baby in 2013, beating two-time major winner and No. 23-seeded Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-1, 7-5.

The 92nd-ranked Bondarenko is playing only her second Grand Slam tournament since returning to the tour in 2014.

No. 7-seeded Kei Nishikori, the 2014 U.S. Open finalist, advanced to the third round in the men's draw with a 6-3, 7-6 (5), 6-3 win over Austin Krajicek of the United States. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russia's Maria Sharapova serves against Aliaksandra Sasnovich of Belarus during Day 3 of the 2016 Australian Open in Melbourne. SCOTT BARBOUR/GETTY IMAGES

NBA THUNDER KNOCK DOWN NUGGETS Russell Westbrook of the Oklahoma City Thunder dunks against Danilo Gallinari, left, Gary Harris and Kenneth Faried of the Denver Nuggets at Pepsi Center on Tuesday in Denver. Kevin Durant poured in 30 for the Thunder, which won 110-104. DOUG PENSINGER/GETTY IMAGES

IN BRIEF

Canucks James and Heard chosen in MLS SuperDraft

Canadian midfielders Ryan James and Josh Heard were chosen by Sporting Kansas City and the Vancouver Whitecaps, respectively, as the MLS SuperDraft concluded Tuesday.

James, a 21-year-old from Mississauga, Ont., who played at Bowling Green, was taken in the third round (52nd overall) while Heard, a 21-year-old who played for the Washington Huskies, went in the fourth round (71st overall).

Both players were invited to the MLS Combine although Heard had to sit it out due to a hernia.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

Villa into FA Cup 4th round

Aston Villa avoided FA Cup embarrassment in this miserable season by beating fourth-tier Wycombe at the second attempt, winning 2-0 on Tuesday to reach the fourth round.

But Villa took 75 minutes to find a breakthrough against a team from England's lowest professional league, with Ciaran Clark heading the Premier League's bottom side in front. Villa's passage to a Jan. 30 meeting with Manchester City was not smoothed until Idrissa Gana netted his first goal for the club in the 90th.

West Brom also won its third-round replay, with Salomon Rondon scoring to clinch a 1-0 win over second-tier Bristol City.
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Service Directory

To advertise call 604.602.1002

EMPLOYMENT

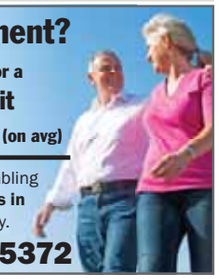
skilled immigrant infocentre
Vancouver Public Library Central Library, Level 4
350 West Georgia Street
Phone: 604-331-3603
Web: skilledimmigrants.vpl.ca
Employment information for career decisions
A free service for immigrants to British Columbia
Vancouver Public Library | Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada | Immigration, Refugees et Citoyenneté Canada | British Columbia | WelcomeBC

RGIS
An Equal Opportunity Employer

Inventory Counters Wanted
Opportunities we offer:
- Flexible schedules
- No experience necessary
- Paid training
- Higher wages for high performers
- Hourly career path program

Join the Team That Counts. Apply Online WWW.RGIS.COM
Our recruiters will contact you to book an interview.

TAX CREDITS

Hip or Knee Replacement?
The Disability Tax Credit allows for a
$2,500 Yearly Tax Credit
$20,000 Lump Sum Refund (on avg)
Copd, arthritis, and many other disabling conditions that cause **Restrictions in Walking or Dressing** may qualify.
For Expert Help: 1-844-453-5372


HEALTH AND WELLNESS

SPIRITUALIST & PSYCHIC
Pandit: JAGADISH

100% GUARANTEE • ALL RELIGIONS WELCOMED
HE CAN HANDLE ANY PROBLEM
IF YOU ARE DISAPPOINTED OTHER FROM OTHER PSYCHICS & PANDITS, THEN MEET ME, GET PERMANENT SOLUTIONS
LOVE, MARRIAGE, BUSINESS, JOB, EDUCATION, FINANCIAL, SUCCESS, HEALTH, COURT CASE, DIVORCE, CHILDREN MISTAKE
REMOVES BLACK MAGIC & GIVES 100% PROTECTION
604.360.7629 | 9687 – 120 SCOTT RD, SURREY, BC

HANUMAN ASTROLOGER & PALM READER
Pandit: Durga Prasad
Expert in Palm and Face Reading, Horoscope, Numerology, Vastu Shastra

I CAN TELL YOUR PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE
Marriage * Husband-Wife Problems * Job * Relationship * Kids Problems
Business * Spiritual Evil Effects * Enemy * Court * Property * Family etc.
SPECIALIST IN: BRINGING LOVED ONES BACK
IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS I HAVE 100% GUARANTEED SOLUTIONS
Removes Black Magic, Jadoo, Voodoo, Buttu, Witch Craft & Gives 100% Protection
100% PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL - OPEN 7 DAYS
778-238-8202 / 604-512-2304
6049 Fraser St., Vancouver / 128 St & 80 Ave., Surrey

INDIAN ASTROLOGER & PSYCHIC Pandit: YOGI

EXPERT PALM & FACE READING AND DATE OF BIRTH TAKE RIGHT DECISION AT RIGHT TIME
NOBODY CAN BREAK MY PROTECTION THIS IS MY CHALLENGE

POWERFUL & GOD GIFTED HEALER CAN HANDLE ANY
HEALTH, COURT, LOVE, CHILDREN, MISTAKE, MONEY, JOB, BUSINESS, EDUCATION, DEPRESSION, ENEMY, JEALOUSY, SEXUAL HEALTH, PERSONAL MATTER, MARRIAGE, ETC.
REMOVES BLACK MAGIC, JADOO, VOODOO, WITCHCRAFT, OBEYS, EVIL SPIRITS & PROVIDES LIFELONG PROTECTION
778.707.3599 9278 120 SCOTT ROAD SURREY BC • 9AM TO 8PM

RECIPE Margherita Pizza Dinner Waffles

PHOTO: MAYA VISNYEI

Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

Our love of breakfast for dinner has forced us to create this addictive culinary mashup.

Ready in
Prep time: 5 minutes
Total time: 15 minutes
Makes 4 waffles

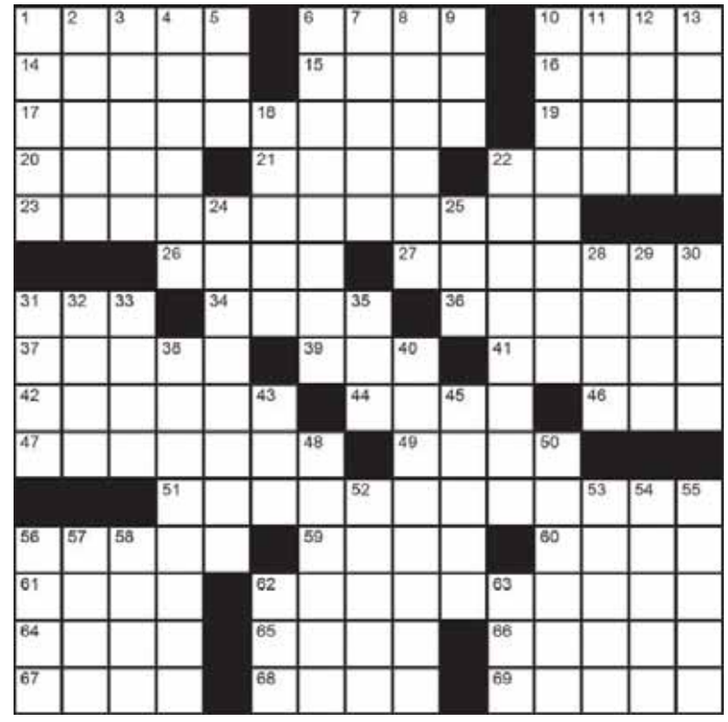
Ingredients
- 3 cups spelt flour
- 3 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 2 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup cubed mozzarella
- freshly chopped basil
- 1/4 cup fresh shaved Parmesan cheese
- 1 cup marinara sauce

Directions
1. In a large bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and garlic powder. Add the milk; stir until blended.
2. Heat your waffle iron to desired temperature.
3. Ladle the batter into preheated waffle iron and sprinkle with 1/4 cup mozzarella and basil. Cook the waffles until golden and crisp. Serve immediately with an extra sprinkle of mozzarella, Parmesan cheese and a side of marinara sauce for dipping.

FOR MORE MEAL IDEAS, VISIT SWEETPOTATOCHRONICLES.COM

CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



ACROSS
1. 'Low budget', in an advertisement
6. __-Carotene
10. __-Cola
14. Denial to a Drill Sergeant: 2 wds.
15. Bert of "The Wizard of Oz" (1939)
16. Charge card, e.g.
17. Do this via eight glasses a day we're often told: 2 wds.
19. Tarry
20. "Makes sense.": 2 wds.
21. George Gershwin's 'Blue' musical work, briefly
22. Room service place
23. Where 'there is a town' in #24-Down: 2 wds.
26. Abominable snowman
27. TV host's directive to the standing audience: 2 wds.
31. Wilt
34. Monetary units in Albania
36. Jazz singer Ms. Holiday
37. Take _ __ of faith
39. Director Mr. Mendes
41. Some shipbuilding woods
42. Helps
44. Ancient Rome: He who declared "Carthage must be destroyed."
46. In shape
47. Beer containers
49. Nautical hook
51. Events for getting tarot and palm readings: 2 wds.
56. Chills
59. Track event
60. Virginia willow
61. Italian harp
62. I'm Sorry! Canadians are known for their what?
64. Perceived
65. Sea lettuce
66. Bruce Cockburn's "If _ __ Falls"
67. Musical quality
68. Country star Mr. Campbell
69. Quiet attention-getters

DOWN
1. "There's just no _ sight!": 2 wds.
2. Rome's famous street, Via del _
3. Wickerwork material
4. XC
5. Mork from __
6. Shoes like Carrie's on "Sex and the City", Manolo _
7. Wear away: 2 wds.
8. 'Adventure Territory' town in Manitoba: 2 wds.
9. LAX posting
10. The whole kit and _
11. Overlook
12. Formally give up
13. Figure skating jump
18. "Murder, She __"
22. Socially click with someone: 3 wds.
24. Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young song
25. Tease
28. Patron saint of Norway
29. Collaborative website name prefix
30. Branch 'building'
31. Swedish car
32. Inventor, Thomas _ Edison
33. Equipment
35. Cul-de-quoi?
38. 1980 Leslie Nielsen movie!
40. Illusionist
43. Fox's adjective
45. Be silent, to a musician
48. Monk's manuscript
50. Dramatically falls to the floor
52. Bisect
53. Old Roman roads
54. Put back to zero
55. Mailing enclosures, commonly
56. Throw
57. Celebrated cookie
58. Receptive
62. Small dog
63. The Raven poet's monogram

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
Group activities will become more important now that the Sun is moving in your favour. Join forces with like-minded people and see how far you can travel together. Find new ways to improve the world.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
The Sun's move into the career area of your chart will boost ambitions. Be realistic about what you can achieve, the fewer goals you have the more energy you can put into them.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
One of the most positive times of the year begins for you today. You'll be constantly busy the next few weeks, dealing with people and issues that inspire the best in you.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
You may feel left out today but don't — you're the one sending subconscious signals that you want to be left alone. You have a lot to think about and you can't think in a crowd.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
The Sun moves into your opposite sign today, which means you'll have to take other people's needs and desires into consideration. Remember: when doing good things for others you benefit yourself as well.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You tend to avoid situations that are hard to control, but what happens today will force you to take part in a stressful activity. You'll find that you do well when the pressure is on.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Whatever crises you've had to deal with of late you can now forget all about them. A new set of cosmic influences will provide you with no end of opportunities to show the world that you are back to your best.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Put your needs on hold for a while and do what you can to help loved ones and relatives. The more you do for others now the more freedom you will have later in the year.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You will find it easier to make your own decisions and your first decision must be to distance yourself from someone who annoys you. Act as if they no longer exist.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Over the next few weeks you will have to work harder than ever. As a Capricorn you will never reach a point where you are satisfied with your lot.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
The Sun's move into your birth sign today makes this the ideal time to start new projects, but first you must give up on something that is not working. What you accomplish next will more than make up for it.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Pay attention to what your inner voice tells you. The more you think about what you are doing now the more enjoyable your life will be when the Sun enters your sign next month.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

Every row, column and box contains 1-9

	6		2				9	
4			8					3
	7			4				
					5			2
	3	6				8	7	
5			3					
				7			8	
3					1			4
	4				2		6	

©2015 Conceptis Puzzles, Dist. by King Features Syndicate, Inc.

Creativity is subjective.
The truth isn't.

Truth in Advertising Matters.

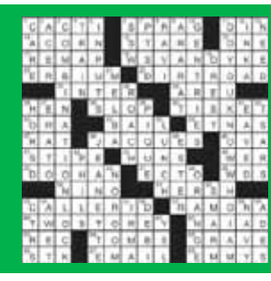
ASC Advertising Standards Canada
adstandards.com/psa

metro
Tell us how you really feel.
Join our online reader panel and help make your Metro even better.
Text **'metro'** to 236-237-1740

YESTERDAY'S ANSWERS

Your daily crossword and Sudoku answers from the play page.

for more fun and games go to metronews.ca/games



1	3	6	9	2	5	8	4	7
2	9	4	7	8	3	5	1	6
8	7	5	4	1	6	9	2	3
3	1	2	5	6	4	7	8	9
5	6	9	1	7	8	4	3	2
7	4	8	2	3	9	6	5	1
4	5	7	3	9	1	2	6	8
9	8	1	6	5	2	3	7	4
6	2	3	8	4	7	1	9	5

Put the heart back in health care.

HEALTH MINISTERS FROM ACROSS CANADA are gathering in Vancouver this week to map out the future of our national public health care system.

Over the past decade, public health care has been seriously neglected.

Hospitals are overcrowded. Wait lists have grown. And drug costs have soared.

Today, we are urging our provincial and federal leaders to reinvest in the most important public program Canadians rely on.

Canadian Health Coalition

BCHealth Coalition